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## **Chief's Community-Police Partnership Summit**

Chief of Police Russ Leach to discuss RPD Strategic Plan at town hall meeting

Riverside, CA -- Riverside Chief of Police Russ Leach will address the community at the Chief's Community-Police Partnership Summit – a town hall meeting to brief the community on progress mid-way through the Strategic Plan 2004-2009, and to hear input and answer questions from members of the public.

"We consulted with the community when we created the Strategic Plan and we want to report and receive feedback on how we've been doing," Chief Leach said. All interested Riverside residents are invited to attend.

The Strategic Plan was developed to guide the Riverside Police Department through the period following a five-year Stipulated Judgment for department reforms under state supervision, which expired in April 2006.

The Chief will introduce the current Command Staff, the 2007 Chief's Report published last year, present an update on the Strategic Plan and innovative programs RPD has undertaken, and he will take comments and questions from the public.

The meeting will be held at the Yeager Center, California Baptist University, 8432 Magnolia Ave., Riverside, from 7-9 p.m., on Wednesday, February 20.

"A component of the Strategic Plan identifies a triad partnership of Police, City leadership and the community, working together as 'co-producers of public safety." Leach said, "We value our continued partnerships with so many community members. This meeting also provides an opportunity to meet with people who haven't had a chance to directly communicate with us."

WHAT: Chief's Community-Police Partnership Summit

WHEN: Wednesday, February 20, 2008, 7-9 p.m.

WHERE: Yeager Center, California Baptist Univ., 8432 Magnolia Ave.

WHO: Chief Russ Leach and interested Riverside residents

Please call Steven Frasher, Adjutant to the Chief of Police, at (951) 826-5147, with RSVP, questions or to make arrangements for special needs.

